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FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR KS KN UN CH
SUBJ: KOREA IN 28TH GA: CHINESE PROBLEM

REF: USUN 4643

SUMMARY: CHINESE AS OF 10:00 A.M. NOV APPARENTLY STILL
NOT CONFIDENT OF CO-SPONSORS' AGREEMENT. END SUMMARY.

1. AS HE SAID HE WOULD (REFTEL), PRC COUNSELLOR CHOU
TELEPHONED MISOFF THAYER 10:00 A.M. NOV 10.
2. INCOURSE OF OPENING COMMENTS, CHOU SAID "WE" STILL
HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH "SOME CO-SPONSORS" AND ALSO WITH
"ARRANGING TIME TO MEET CORE COUNTRIES." AFTER CONFIRMING WITH MISOFF
THAT OUR MEETING WITH KEY CO-SPONSORS STILL SCHEDULED FOR LATE
MORNING, CHOU SAID THAT AMBASSADOR HUANG "HOPES, IF YOU
MUST HAVE MEETING," THAT US WOULD TAKE ALL STEPS TO
"MAINTAIN SAME ABSOLUTE CONFIDENTIALITY,"
3. MISOFF TOLD CHOU THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED PROBLEM FURTHER
WITH AMBASSADOR SCALI SINCE CHOU'S TELEPHONE CALL 1:30 A.M.
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NOV 10, AND ASSURED CHOU THAT CONFIDENTIALITY WOULD
BE A MAJOR EMPHASIS OF OUR PRESENTATION AT OUR MEETING.

4. MISOFF POINTED OUT THAT OBVIOUSLY NECESSARY TOPIC OF
OUR NOV 10 MEETING WOULD BE QUESTION OF HOW WE INFORM
REMAINING CO-SPONSORS ON MONDAY. CHOU SAID HE THOUGHT LATER

WE DID THIS ON MONDAY THE BETTER.

5. CHOU THEN WENT ON TO VOLUNTEER THAT CHINA STILL INTENDED TO CARRY THROUGH FULLY ON THE CONSENSUS AGREEMENT, BUT MANNER IN WHICH HE VOLUNTEERED THIS IMPLIED CHOU NOT YET CERTAIN OF OUTCOME.

6. MISOFF REAFFIRMED STRONGLY OUR CONTINUING INTENTION TO WORK IN CONCERT WITH CHINESE TOWARD SUCCESSFUL CONSENSUS AND FOR THIS PURPOSE WOULD WELCOME ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CHOU COULD PROVIDE THAT MIGHT HELP US ADJUST OUR DISCUSSION WITH KEY CO-SPONSORS TO MESH WITH CHINESE ACTIONS. THIS AND OTHER PROBES FAILED TO ELICIT ANY MORE SPECIFICS ON NATURE OF CHINESE PROBLEM.

7. MISOFF THEN NOTED THAT ANOTHER TOPIC FOR THIS MORNING'S MEETING WOULD BE CHOICE OF REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR CO-SPONSORS WHO WOULD WORK WITH REPRESENTATIVE CHOSEN BY CHINESE SIDE. CHOU IMMEDIATELY SAW POINT AND VOLUNTEERED THAT THEY SHOULD BE TWO DELEGATIONS THAT COULD WORK SMOOTHLY TOGETHER, FOR EXAMPLE, IN APPROACH TO FIRST COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN. MISOFF CONFIRMED THIS WAS POINT AND SUGGESTED THAT WORD FROM CHINESE, IN ADVANCE OF OUR MEETING, AS TO WHO MIGHT BE DPRK REPRESENTATIVE WOULD BE HELPFUL. CHOU THEN SUGGESTED THAT PERHAPS ALGERIA WOULD BE GOOD CHOICE FOR THEIR SIDE. CHOU ASKED WHO MIGHT BE OUR REPRESENTATIVE. MISOFF REPLIED THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO CONSULT ROK AND OTHERS BUT IN

MEANWHILE WOULD WELCOME ANY INFORMATION REGARDING REPRESENTATIVE OF DPRK.

8. CHOU SAID HE MIGHT CALL AGAIN BEFORE OUR MEETING WITH KEY CO-SPONSORS AND ADDED THAT IN ANY CASE WE MUST BE PREPARED TO REMAIN IN CONTACT OVER WEEKEND.

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